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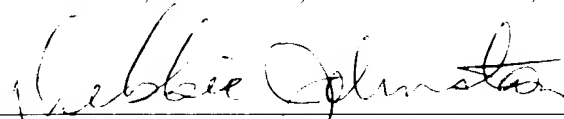
IN RE APPLICATION : James Thomas Shiveley
FOR : **RAPID EFFICIENT INFRARED
CURING OF POWDER
COATINGS/WET COATINGS AND
FOR ULTRAVIOLET CURING OF
COATINGS AS APPLIED TO
LABORATORY AND
PRODUCTION PROCESSING**
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Ms. Tsoy:

In an Office Action mailed February 12, 2003, the Examiner restricted the claims of this patent application into four group: Group I is claims 1, 2, 6 – 21 drawn to a pilot/production, analyzing/curing system; Group II is claims 3, 4, 22 – 33 drawn to a method of curing coating on articles; Group III is claim 5 drawn to a method of curing coating on articles; Group IV is claim 34 drawn to a single zone curing station. The Examiner alleges that these inventions are distinct.

The applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1, 2, 6 – 21 drawn to a pilot/production, analyzing/curing system. This election is made without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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